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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, When a person is losing blood, every minute counts,
- 2 and the Stop the Bleed campaign of the U.S. Department of Homeland
- 3 Security is informing Americans about vital measures to aid trauma
- 4 victims; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The initiative was created in the wake of the 2012
- 6 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School; at the request of the
- 7 governor of Connecticut, Dr. Lenworth Jacobs convened a panel of
- 8 experts, among them the American College of Surgeons, and their
- 9 review led to development of the Stop the Bleed campaign; in Texas,
- 10 implementation of the program is being guided by Dr. J. Patrick
- 11 Walker of Crockett; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Because a trauma victim can bleed to death within
- 13 five minutes, before professional emergency care arrives, the
- 14 program teaches citizens bleeding-control methods developed by the
- 15 military and first responders; Stop the Bleed also provides kits
- 16 that include such tools as tourniquets, dressings, and topical
- 17 hemostatic agents to help bystanders offer swift assistance at the
- 18 scene of a mass casualty or other incident; these kits are affixed
- 19 to walls in public places, much like the cardiac defibrillators
- 20 with which most modern buildings are furnished; and
- 21 WHEREAS, The Stop the Bleed campaign is empowering citizens
- 22 across the country to save lives in situations when time is of the
- 23 absolute essence; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the 85th Legislature of the State of Texas

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- 1 hereby recognize the Stop the Bleed campaign and encourage all
- 2 Texans to participate in the initiative and learn more about the
- 3 importance of bleeding-control measures.